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NOTIFICATION

The 12th June 2008

No. 6561-LL-I-(iii)-35/2008/LE.— Whereas draft of certain rules, further to amend the Orissa Motor Transport Workers Rules, 1966 was published as required by sub section (1) of Section 40 of the Motor Transport Workers Act, 1961 (27 of 1961), in the extraordinary issue No. 1661 of the *Orissa Gazette* dated the 11th September, 2007 under the Notification of the Government of Orissa in the Labour & Employment Department No.10488-LL-I-(iii)-128/07, dated the 10th September, 2007 inviting objections and suggestions from all persons likely to be affected thereby within a period of six weeks from the date of publication of the said Notification in the official Gazette;

And whereas, no objection or suggestion has been received during the stipulated period in respect of the said draft;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 40 of the said Act, the State Government do hereby make the following rules further to amend the Orissa Motor Transport Workers' Rules, 1966 namely:—

- **1.** (1) These rules may be called the Orissa Motor Transport Workers' (Amendment) Rules, 2008.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the *Orissa Gazette*.
- **2.** In the Orissa Motor Transport Workers' Rules, 1966 in Rule 25, after sub-rule (4), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:—

"(5)(a) Every employer shall provide medical check up to the Motor Transport Workers for HIV test to detect AIDs at least once in a calendar year in the nearest Voluntary Confidential Counseling and Testing Centre opened by the Government in Government Hospitals through Orissa AIDs Control Society under Health and Family Welfare Department.

(b) If any Motor Transport Worker is detected HIV positive in the test specified in clause (i), the employer shall not disengage him or her and shall not take any action which may lead to discrimination of such person. The employer shall bear all expenses towards treatment of such worker.

(c) The employer shall conduct regular awareness programme (at least once in a month) to make the workers aware of the modes of transmission of HIV virus to prevent AIDs."

By order of the Governor

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